

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 1196**

January Session, 2023

LCO No. 6526

**AN ACT CONCERNING PROCEDURES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTION RELATING TO STRIP SEARCHES AND THE
TRANSFER OF PERSONS WHO ARE INCARCERATED BETWEEN
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 18-81e of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

3 (a) For the purposes of this section, "victim" includes the legal
4 representative of the victim or a member of the deceased victim's
5 immediate family.

6 (b) Upon the release of any person from a correctional facility,
7 whether at the scheduled termination date of a determinate sentence or
8 prior to such date on account of the transfer of such person to a public
9 or private nonprofit halfway house, group home or mental health
10 facility or approved community residence pursuant to section 18-100,
11 the reduction of such sentence due to good conduct and obedience to
12 rules or receipt of an outstandingly meritorious performance award, or
13 any other early release provision, the Commissioner of Correction or
14 [his] the commissioner's designee shall notify any victim of the crime for
15 which such person is incarcerated of such person's release if such victim
16 has requested notification and provided the commissioner with a
17 current address.

18 (c) Upon the transfer of a person who is incarcerated from a
19 correctional facility to another correctional facility, the Commissioner of

20 Correction or the commissioner's designee shall notify (1) any victim of
21 the crime for which such person is incarcerated, and (2) an immediate
22 family member of the person who is incarcerated, of such person's
23 transfer to another correctional facility if such victim or immediate
24 family member has requested such notification and provided the
25 commissioner with a current residential address or electronic mail
26 address.

27 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) On or before February 1, 2024, the
28 Commissioner of Correction shall submit a report, in accordance with
29 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the status of
30 the procurement of body scanning machines for use in correctional
31 facilities, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
32 having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary, finance, revenue
33 and bonding and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Such
34 report shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) The status of the
35 procurement of body scanning machines, (2) the estimated costs
36 associated with the installation and use of such machines in all
37 correctional facilities, (3) recommendations regarding the number of
38 such machines that would be required, (4) information concerning
39 potential health risks associated with accumulated exposure to
40 radiation due to the use of such machines, and (5) the capability of body
41 scanning machines to replace strip searches, partially or entirely, and
42 any impacts on correctional facility safety and security, specifically
43 regarding the conveyance of contraband into correctional facilities.

44 Sec 3. (*Effective from passage*) On or before January 1, 2024, the
45 Commissioner of Correction shall issue a request for proposal for the
46 procurement of body scanning machines to be used for the purpose of
47 conducting full-body x-ray screenings of persons who are incarcerated
48 so as to (1) allow correctional facility staff to identify contraband such
49 as weapons, cellphones and drugs, in and on the body, and (2) reduce
50 the numbers of strip searches conducted to perform searches for
51 contraband. On or before February 1, 2024, the Commissioner of
52 Correction shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-

53 4a of the general statutes, on the issuance of the request for proposal
54 required under this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	18-81e
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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